

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, July 16, 1728.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, July 9.

Soissons, July 8.

WHAT was said of the Duke de Bourbonville's Departure in the Night between the 3d and 4th for Paris, proves a Mistake, his Excellency being detained here by a Cholick, with which he was seized; so that he did not set out before Yesterday with all his Retinue and Equipage: And 'tis probable he will not return hither, another Minister being appointed in his Place. On the 5th Instant came hither two Couriers, one from Spain and the other from Paris; whereupon there was an Assembly at the Castle, at which, most or all the Ministers were present; but the Conference lasted not above Half-an-hour, and we could not learn what was treated of. Yesterday Count Zinzendorf set out for Paris, where 'tis said he is to continue 14 Days; as did next Day Count Koningsfield, Plenipotentiary of the Elector of Bavaria: And Tomorrow or next Day Mr. Stanhope will follow.

Soissons, July 11. Mr. Patin and Mr. Proly, two Directors of the Ostend Company, arrived here some Days ago, but have not yet proposed any Thing to the Congress in behalf of the said Company. Mr. Stanhope, First Plenipotentiary of Great Britain, set out last Friday for Paris, as is also M. Gadda, Plenipotentiary of Sweden. Last Friday arrived here M. Strickland, Bishop of Namur, and next Day paid a Visit to Mr. Stanhope, and is likewise going to Paris.

Venice, June 3. According to our last Advices from Zant, no People had died for 14 Days past of the Plague, which however, still continued in the Morea and Romelia.

London, July 9. This Day Mr. Alderman Parsons made a sumptuous Entertainment at his House at Ryegate in Surry, for the Company of Merchants of the Staple of England, of which he was lately chosen Mayor.

Last Week a Woman who kept a publick House

at Wembleton, locking up her House, and putting the Keys in her Pocket, went to an adjacent Pond and is supposed to have thrown herself in: She was taken out alive, but too far gone to be recovered. 'Tis said she was to have been married on Thursday next.

We hear that the Rt. Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty have ordered four Men of War to proceed as soon as possible to the Coasts of Barbary, to protect our Navigation from the Moorish Rovers.

From the Post Boy July, 9.

Bologna, June 26. Don Felix Corneco, lately the King of Spain's Minister at the Court of Rome, is arrived here on his way to Switzerland, whither he is going in the same Quality.

Soissons, July 11. Our chief Magistrate has dislodged two Paris Ladies, who by the Company they drew after them, and the Disorders they committed, broke the Peace of the City, and were therefore forced to fly it.

From the St. James's Evening Post, July 9.

Rome, June 26. An Edict is published here, excluding Murderers from taking Sanctuary in any Churches of this City except the 4 Cathedrals, and Prohibiting them to stay even there longer than 3 Days.

We are assured that Mr. Massei has wrote to the Pope, That the Cardinal de Noailles has at length accepted the Constitution *Unigenitus*; and that thereupon his Holiness has sent Orders to the said Nuncio to publish the Writs of Excommunication against the Appellants.

Vienna, July 3. Letters from Prague say, That there has been a Fray between the Scholars of that University and the Soldiers of that Garrison, in which severals were killed on both Sides: So that the commanding Officer was obliged to plant Cannon before the Main-guard, and to send for more Troops.

London, July 9. The Money that hath been subscribed

scribed for building the new Bridge from Fulham to Putney, is to be returned to the Subscribers before the 1st of August next, pursuant to the Terms proposed by the Trustees, the Sum of 30,000 l. not having been near completed.

From the Evening Post, July 9.

Soissons, July 8. Count Basswitz, Plenipotentiary of the Duke of Holstein, gave a magnificent Entertainment to several Ministers and other Persons of Distinction, and at Night there was a Concert and Ball at Signior Barnachea's, second Plenipotentiary of Spain. Here is arrived all Sorts of Equipage for Prince Kurakin, Plenipotentiary of the Czar of Moscow, for whom a fine Hotel is prepared in the Abbey of St. Leger. On the 5th the Marquis de Fenelon and Signior Barnachea treated several Ministers sumptuously at Dinner.

Paris, July 14. The Count de Sinzendorf and the Duke de Bournonville are here still, neither is it thought that they will soon depart to return to their respective Courts, the Queen being now in the last Month of her Pregnancy. Letters have been sent to all the Nurses who are upon the List, ordering them to repair forthwith to Versailles. They write from Madrid, June 29, that then the King had kept his Chamber three Weeks, notwithstanding which his Majesty sometimes confers with his Ministers.

Rome, June 26. No less than 823 Persons having been stabb'd with Knives in this City since the Accession of the present Pope to the Papacy, our new Governor, for preventing the like barbarous Actions for the future, causes those pernicious Instruments to be taken away from every Body in the Streets.

Hague, July 14. This Morning arrived a Courier from our Plenipotentiaries at Soissons: We hear that Count Zinzendorf first Plenipotentiary of the Emperor, before his Departure for Paris, delivered to ours an Answer to their Memorial concerning the Demands of their High Mightinesses, after which nothing material was in the Congress before the Departure of the Courier.

From the London Evening Post, July 9.

Ostend, July 14. Yesterday Morning arrived in our Road two of our Company's Ships from Canton in China, viz. The Concordia, Capt. Egidius

Reyngort, and the Marquis de Prie, Capt. William Brouwer.

Bristol, July 6. On Thursday last an Italian flew a second Time from the Top of Vincent's Rock, cross the River to the old Cupola's, he performed it in half a Minute, with a Pistol in each Hand. The Distance is computed at above 550 Yards, and we hear he is to do something more curious.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, July 11.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France.

ON Saturday Night, as Sir William Willsby, of Woollsbay Bart. was going home in his Coach, the violent Storm of Rain and Thunder which happened about that Time, so swelled the Waters of a Mill upon Long-Brook, 3 Miles from Litchfield, thro' which Sir William was to pass, that just as his Coach was got into the Water, the Mill-dam blew up, and the Water roll'd down in such heaps as carried all before it, and overset the Coach; so that he was drowned, and all his Footmen and Horses: But the Coachman saved himself by catching hold of a Tree.

The Accounts from Bigglesworth in Bedfordshire tell us, That on Saturday-night last also there was a most terrible Storm of Thunder and Lightning; and the greatest Quantity of Rain fell that has been known for many Years.

Yesterday, at the Court of King's-bench, Westminster, the Council for Sir John Gumly Junior, Henry Watson and James Beechly, offered Exceptions in Arrest of Judgment to be given against them, for beating Mr. Wilkins the Printer at the Crown Tavern in Smithfield; but they were all over-ruled, and the Defendants are to receive Judgment next Term.

The same Day Mr. Woolfe, Printer of Mist's Journal, taken into Custody of a Messenger last Sunday by Warrant of a Secretary of State, was admitted to Bail.

The Affair of the Congress of Soissons is all the Discourse of the Town; and they are under the utmost Impatience for the Return of the Couriers dispatched to Madrid and Vienna, because of the Reports that are given out, touching the Pretensions of the first nam'd Court; and the latter's complying

plying with the Demands of the States General, in relation to the Ostend Company: Who, according to the Accounts from Brussels, flatter themselves that they shall be able to maintain the Trade to the E. Indies, by their Charter granted by the Emperor.

But should the Negotiations for a general Peace happen to prove unsuccessful, the World will soon know to whom it is to be attributed. Mean while the passing of Couriers, and the Suspension of the Conferences, (which some make a Handle of for raising Fears and Doubts) are very common on the like Transactions, as the Result of the different Interests of so many Powers concerned.

Brigadier General Kirk's Regiment is come to Canterbury, to be quartered there.

The Ships put in Commission to renew the Peace with the Emperor of Morocco, are, the Rumney, Launceston, Enterprize, and another Ship lying at Portsmouth.

The King, at the Review Yesterday in Hyde Park of the Horse and Horse Grenadier Guards, shewed himself exceedingly well pleased with their Appearance; but the Weather happened to prove rainy, and tho' falling in prodigious Quantities, his Majesty continu'd Half an-hour uncloak'd; and the Rain continuing, he ordered their March to their respective Quarters, which was about 2 of the Clock.

The same Day her Majesty was presented with 3 Children, viz. a Boy and 2 Girls, of which the Wife of a Drummer belonging to the Train of Artillery at Woolwich, was delivered; and her Majesty, in regard to the Necessity of the Parents, was pleased to order them to be taken notice of at her own Expence.

'Tis talked that the Squadron design'd to renew the Truce with Sallee, or to cruize against their Rovers, will be commanded by Commodore Cavendish.

His Excellency John Pit, Esq; is gone to the Downs, to embark for his Government of Bermuda.

Two Jew Ladies of this City, and Sisters, are supposed to have been decoyed away, having been missing since Tuesday sennight, and no News of them since, altho' the strictest Inquiry has been by their Relations.

This Day the Lord Villiers was married to Miss Dutland, Daughter of a late eminent Merchant of this City.

The Dutchess Dowager of Marlborough was present last Tuesday at the Quakers Meeting in Devonshire-Square, at the Wedding of Mr. Freame and Mrs. Osgood.

From the Evening Post, July 9.

Paris, July 16. They write from Landau, That the Princess of Hesse Rhinfels arrived there the 8th Instant, and was saluted with the Discharge of 50 Guns, all the Garison was drawn up, and the Officers paid her Serene Highness the Military Salute with their Half Pikes, at Night all the Houses were illuminated, the next Day the Princess set out by 4 in the Morning, being to lie at Strasburg, which is 18 Leagues distant from Landau; she is to be met the 21st at Chalons by the Duke de Bourbon, to whom she will be married the 22d, and the 24th their Serene Highnesses will set out for Chantilly, where great Rejoicings are preparing. Last Sunday the Nuncio of the Pope entertained the Plenipotentiaries of the Roman Catholick Powers, and several other Persons of Distinction. The Queen begins to feel some Pains, which makes the Physicians Conjecture, That her Majesty will not go this Month out. The King does not design to ly from Versailles before her Majesty is delivered, neither will the Plenipotentiaries, who are here go away before that Time.

Hague, July 16. A Passport has been given by the States General for the Equipage of Count Kin-sky, who is expected here every Day in his Way to England, as Minister from the Emperor. Sunday last the Duke of Hamilton, and the Lord Anne Hamilton, arrived here from England; they will set out Tomorrow for Spaw, where his Grace intends to make use of the Waters, and Lord Anne is to proceed to Lorrain, to learn the Exercises in the Academy there.

Malaga, June 29. We have Advice from Barbary, That the present Emperor of Mequinez has given Commissions to several Vessels, to take the Ships they can overcome, of all Nations, (the English not excepted) alledging, That since none of the European Princes had, by their Ambassadors, done him Homage since his Accession to the Imperial



rial Throne, and paid their Tribute to him, he would by his Cruizers oblige them to it.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, July 11.

Madrid, June 29. The King has not been out of his Apartment those eight Days past; but during that Time, has had several Conferences with the Marquis de Brancas, Ambassador of the Most Christian King, and Count Coningseck, Ambassador of the Emperor.

We learn from Barcelona, That they had launched two Galleys which were built last Year.

The 500 Seamen raised on the Coast of Catalonia, are to go immediately to Cadix: And that they had seen at Sea 4 Corsairs of Algiers, which were to be chased by Spanish Fregats.

Edinburgh, July 10. Yesterday before Noon, Mr. Carnegie of Finhaven was brought upon Trial, and after very learn'd and clever Discourses on both Sides, (those for the Pannel running chiefly on the Score of *casual Homicide*; as those for the Pursuers, upon that of *wilful Murder*) the Pursuers were ordain'd to Inform against Saturday first, and the Pannel, against Friday thereafter. And the Lords adjourned the further Consideration of the Affair to the First Day of August next, when the Relevancy of the Libel will be determined, &c.

Haddington, July 12, 1728.

Best Wheat, 11, 10, 00.	2d, 11, 00, 00.	3d, 10, 10 00
Best Bear, 08, 04, 00.	2d, 08, 02, 00.	3d, 08, 00 00
Best Oats, 06, 12, 00.	2d, 06, 06, 00.	3d, 06, 00 00
Best Pease, 06, 08, 00.	2d, 06, 16, 04.	3d, 06, 00, 00

ADVERTISEMENT S.

* * * Whereas upon the 2d of this Instant July, betwixt one and two in the Morning, there was willfully Fire put into the Roof of a thatched House in Belgonnor, in the Parish of Salin and Sherifdom of Fife, belonging to John Nicolson Dyther there, which actually burnt a Part of the House, and had it not been for a wonderful Interposition of Providence, John Nicolson with his Family, had been burnt to Death; and John Nicolson having good Reason to suspect a Gang of Thieves that haunts that Country, who lately had broke his House, and were convicted thereof by the Magistrates of Edinburgh, and as a Part of their Punish-

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ment, sent to the House of Correction there, from whence they made their Escape. The Ringleader of these Thieves that broke the House of Correction, is David Alison, a little thin meagre Man, with short black Hair, swarthy Complexion, about 40 Years of Age, sometimes travels thro' the West Parts of Fife and Lothian to Edinburgh as a Carrier, sometimes as a Jockey buying and selling Horses, sometimes buying and selling Linen Cloth and Yarn. These are therefore entreating all well disposed People, that shall come to the Knowledge where the said David Alison haunts, that they discover it to the next Justice of the Peace, or to the Sheriff or Magistrates of Burgh next to the Place where he happens to be, in order to his being apprehended, and being apprehended, to notify the same to Mrs. Nicolson Vintner in Edinburgh, or to the said John Nicolson at his House, who hereby promises a handsome Reward to the Discoverer, besides all Expences.

†† That the Barony of SORNBEG, and other Lands and Estate which belonged to George Ross of Galsfoun, being about 2000 l. yearly Rent, lying within the Parishes of Galsfoun and Riccarton, and Shire of Air: Are to be exposed to Roup (at the Instance of the Creditors) before the Right Honourable the Lords of Session, upon Friday the 19th of July Instant, between 2 & 3 a clock after Noon, in the Session house at Edinburgh: The Rental and Articles of Roup to be seen in the Hands of Matthew Brown, one of the Clerks of Session and Clerk to the Sale.

By Order of the Directors of the Edinburgh Friendly-Insurance against Losses by Fire.

These are to advertise all the Members of the Society to meet at Edinburgh on Monday the 29th of July Instant, at 10 a'clock before Noon, in Mary's chapel, in order to the Renewing of their Bonds in consequence of the Clause of the Act pass'd last Session of Parliament in favours of the Society, and other Affairs of Importance: And therefore, the Presence of all concerned is necessary.

THO. ELIOT Secretary.

†† The Trustees and Committee for the Creditors of MERCHISTON, LETHEM, and BLAIR, have appointed a general Meeting of the said Creditors upon Friday the Nineteenth July Inst. at 3 a'clock after Noon, within the Laigh Council-house, Edinburgh. And the Trustees earnestly recommend to the Creditors, on or before that Day to subscribe and deliver in the Assignations in favour of the Trustees, for leading an Adjudication against the common Debtors, as formerly advertised, to John Meis Writer to the Signet, their Clerk, at his Chamber 2d Stair below the Cross-well; the delaying to give in these Assignations being what only obstructs the leading the Adjudication, and consequently, the Sale of the Lands.

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